

Alert: Anonymous-Affiliated Actors Announce 'Day of Rage' for July 15, 2016; Low Threat of Cyber Threat Activity Against U.S. Government and Law Enforcement Websites

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Executive Summary

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Overview

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Key Points

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Threat Detail

Anonymous-Affiliated Actors Announce 'Day of Rage' for July 15, 2016

Actor: Anonymous-Affiliated Actors	Threat: Low
TTP: DDoS, Data Leak, Defacement	Date: July 15, 2016
Summary: Anonymous-affiliated actors announced physical and cyber-based protests for a "Day of Rage" on July 15, 2016. The physical protests have already established locations and times in major cities. The Day of Rage (aka #FridayofSolidarity) is meant to protest the deaths of black men by police officers, such as the recent deaths of Alton Sterling and Philando Castile. The Anonymous-affiliated YouTube channel "TheAnonMessage" released a video on July 9, 2016, in which they claimed to have already compromised the Baton Rouge, LA and Saint Anthony, MN police departments and are threatening to conduct a data leak. Since they provided no further evidence of this alleged compromise, we surmise that they do not have access to these systems.	
Analytic Comments: We believe that the Day of Rage poses a low threat of distributed denial-of-service (DDoS),	

data leak and defacement attacks against U.S. Government and law enforcement websites.

- We have not observed any cyber threat actors discussing upcoming cyber threat activity related to this campaign.
- The majority of individuals sharing information about the Day of Rage are not cyber threat actors. Therefore, participants are more likely to engage in physical protests than cyber threat activity.
- Since the video only mentioned unspecified cyber threat activity as a method of protest, any threat activity conducted will likely consist of DDoS attacks, data leaks and defacements, which are the most common attack methods used by Anonymous-affiliated actors.
- Historically, we have seen little to no substantial cyber threat activity in conjunction with Anonymous-affiliated Days of Rage since they tend to focus on physical protest events. TheAnonMessage previously promoted earlier Days of Rage protests; however, those videos did not contain any threats of cyber threat activity.
- We have observed substantial amounts of cyber threat activity in retaliation for perceived police brutality, such as the recent hacktivist operation #OpBlackFlare ([16-00010656](#), July 11, 2016) and previous campaigns #OpBaltimore (see [15-00004474](#), May 22, 2015) and #OpFerguson (see [Intel-1217685](#), Aug. 24, 2016). However, there is no indication that actors involved in those campaigns are seeking to engage in the Day of Rage.

Related Reporting:

- [16-00010624](#) (Hacktivist Response to Deaths of Philando Castile, Alton Sterling and Dallas Shootings Include Low-Level DDoS Against, and Non-Sensitive Data Leaks from, Police Websites) July 9, 2016
- [Intel-454951](#) ('US Day of Rage' Protests Not Planned to Include Cyber Attacks, Though Potential Exists Among Anonymous Sympathizers) Sept. 7, 2016

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